

OPENING SESSION

Of the Third Party's National Convention on Saturday.

A BIG DAY OF SPEECH-MAKING

And Very Little Business—Ignatius Donnelly and Other Leaders Have a Great Deal to say Against the Two Old Parties—Monopolists and the Money Power Hauled over the Coals—Verbal Pyrotechnic Display by Ben Terrell.

OMAHA, NEB., July 3.—Even in the convention hall the People's party would seem anxious to preserve an individuality and to set at defiance the example of the two great parties whose national convention was just held. The extensive preparations made by the Democrats at Chicago and by the Republicans at Minneapolis, are noted by their absence at the Coliseum in Omaha. Nevertheless, the building presented a gay and inviting appearance as the delegates began to assemble yesterday, and as the hour of meeting approached an exhibition of enthusiasm was added to this sprightliness, which could not be exceeded if the hall would contain 100,000 instead of one-tenth that number.

The circular hall had been arranged in terraces, with a number of outlets, with an absence of any confusion. Flags and banners floated from every pillar and arch, and the display of evergreens is something in the nature of triumphal arches, not the less inviting because of their scarcity, added a degree of freshness to the scene, while the numerous devices emblematic of the party's principles are a welcome to the delegates more from the elegance of design than for the sentiment they expressed.

A FINE DAY.

The day helped not a little to add spice to the gathering. The sun was shining brightly through the windows, lending its influence to the inspiring scene. The delegates were slow in arriving. The representatives of Massachusetts were the first to enter and were received with cheers. Delegation and delegation followed. The hall was filled with labor leaders in straw hats and summer attire, in keeping with the day.

There was a slight lull as Chairman Taubeneck, of the national committee, announced that the first national convention of the People's party was now convened in regular session. There was a burst of applause. Prayer was offered by Rev. Benjamin Dillenbacher, a well-known Alliance man, as follows: "We thank Thee, Heavenly Father, for the parties that have had their birth in the past and filled their destinies, great and grand. We thank Thee for this good day, and rejoice that Thou dost ever in wisdom, upon the dying old, build the ever-living new."

"The next thing in order," said Chairman Taubeneck, "will be the address of welcome by Hon. George P. Bemis, mayor of the City of Omaha." During his address Mayor Bemis said: "The People's party, if true to its name, is a party of the people, by the people and for the people. That it will be the endeavor of the representatives here assembled to vindicate its name I have no doubt; that great good may result from your deliberations and action I sincerely hope; that you will fearlessly face the great issues of the day I firmly believe. These are issues which, like the ghost of Banquo, will not down. The silver question still remains the great living issue, but the way it has been ignored, evaded and thrust aside by both the Democratic and Republican parties, one might suppose it was already settled, if not dead and forgotten. But no question is ever settled until it is settled right. The great wrong done to the people by the demonization of 1873 remains to be righted. This can only be done by re-endowing silver with its true money function, and making it, as it was intended by the constitution, equal with gold for all money uses. [Prolonged applause.] If the Republicans and Democrats refuse this they should not complain if the people take the matter in their own hands." [Applause.]

RESPONSE BY A TEXAN.

Hon. Ben Terrell, of Texas, on behalf of the convention, responded to the address of welcome of Mayor Bemis, but before he could be heard Mr. Washburn, of Mississippi, proposed three cheers for the mayor of Omaha, which were given with good will. Prolonged cheers greeted Mr. Terrell's appearance. His speech was also punctuated with cheers. During its course he said:

"The South will vote for the man who stands upon the St. Louis platform, be he who he may, and the man from the South who does not share that spirit had better leave the hall." [Cheers.]

The speaker then declared that the People's party had ended sectionalism, and for that was entitled to the gratitude of the people. The campaign would be one of principle, and not of vilification and blackmail like those of great campaigns of the old parties for many years. The principles of the party were summed up in the declaration that patriotism had a higher place than party. He concluded by returning thanks to the mayor and to the convention for the honor they had conferred on him.

Chairman Taubeneck announced the list of temporary officers selected by the national committee, and they were selected by acclamation. C. H. Ellington, of Georgia, was introduced as temporary chairman, and in his speech of acceptance he said:

CHAIRMAN ELLINGTON'S REMARKS.

"I salute you. From far off Georgia, the great empire state of the South, I come to greet you. Language fails me. It is impossible to tell my high appreciation of the honor this greatest of conventions has conferred upon me by electing me to the temporary chairmanship. But when my mind turns to the great purpose for which we have met—its mighty depth, length and breadth, its wonderful conception, all that is wrapped up in it, what it means to us to be defeated and what it would mean should victory crown our efforts—all these things crowd upon me, and I long for the tongue of Gabriel whose trumpet tones shall reach to the furthest end of the globe, arousing and convening the people wherever its sound shall fall upon them. A mortal combat is on, and the ballot will be the weapon of war. [Cheers.] The eyes of the world are upon us. Some are looking at us with hate and fear in their hearts, while others are watching us prayerfully, anxiously and hopefully."

The chairman's reference to the deceased president of the great farmers' organization was received with cheers, and when the picture of President Polk was handed to him by Chairman Wilson, of the North Carolina delegation, and hoisted into view, the convention

arose with one accord, and the scene was one of befitting reverence to the memory of a great leader.

At the conclusion of the chairman's speech, Mrs. Todd, of Michigan, advanced to the platform to present Chairman Ellington with a gavel, to which, she explained in words of fervor, a history attached. The gavel was carved, she said, by the wife of Ben Terrell. The wood came from a tree planted by Washington at Mt. Vernon. The announcement was received with enthusiastic cheers, and Chairman Ellington appropriately replied.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

At the opening of the afternoon session, messages of congratulation were read from various party leaders. One from Virginia ran: "Hold the fort, Virginia is coming." The reading of this communication from Washington, signed by members of Congress who couldn't attend, provoked great applause.

"The subscribers here desire to tender to you our utmost thanks. Nothing would please us better than to meet with you, that we might clasp hands and exchange with you words of encouragement as co-workers in the great struggle now going on between the people and those who live and fatten through class laws and the violation of the law. But however pleasant it might be for us to meet and enjoy a general handshaking, yet in our opinion those of us who are not delegates should remain here to watch over the work which the people have given us to do."

"The two Wall street parties have held their conventions. They have nominated their candidates and are marshaling their hosts. One side is engaged in 'putting the rascals out.' They have no acts or objections but the spoils of office, while the people are sinking from affluence to penury, and labor in the cities, factories, shops and mines is surely dying of starvation and by Pinkerton bullets. It is the mission of our new party, then, to restore to the people their God-given rights and the sceptre of the government; to restore the people their lands and their confiscated highways, and to wrest from corporations and money kings the control of the people's money and all the other appliances of commerce and of our Christian civilization."

CONSIDERED AUSPICIOUS.

"We have full faith in your united wisdom. We believe you will select for our great party of the people standard bearers who are worthy of the times and the occasion, and you will arrange the necessary details for a vigorous and successful campaign. The times are auspicious. Men are everywhere surrendering their party prejudices and trampling under foot old party lines. They are crying out on all sides—north, south, east and west—'What must we do to be saved?'"

"Let us on with the work so nobly begun by our patriot fathers, that the government of the people, by the people and for the people shall not perish from the earth. Accept, gentlemen, our fraternal regards, and may the Great Ruler of Nations guide your councils."

After the reading of these messages, while awaiting the report of the committee on credentials, Hon. Ignatius Donnelly, of Minnesota, was introduced and spoke at length on the issues of the People's party. He said:

"My friends, I am of the opinion that bodies like this are intended rather for action than for speeches. I hate to trespass upon your time and attention, save at the request of the executive committee. They assure me that pending the report of the committees nothing will be done, and they are inclined to think a speech by me may be a good substitute for nothing. [Laughter.] That being the case, I will trespass on your attention a few minutes. I do not mean to indulge in any words of idle compliments—for the dignity of the occasion forbids it—when I say that no greater body of men has ever assembled upon this continent than those who sit here to-day since those men who formulated the immortal Declaration of Independence."

FREE FROM MONOPOLISTS.

It is in many respects the most astonishing gathering this country has ever seen—a convention without a single tool or instrument of monopoly in its midst, a convention whose every man has paid the expenses of his journey hither and his return, or which have been paid by a man as poor as himself. [Cheers.] There is not in this gathering a single president of a railroad company. [Cheers.] There is not a single representative of any of the army of rings which are robbing and sucking the lifeblood of the American people. [Cheers.] I cannot help but think of the astounding contrast that this body presents to the conventions which have recently met in Minneapolis and Chicago. One little point emphasized the difference, and should be sufficient in itself to show the American people who are its friends. There are in this convention delegates from the distant state of California, and they could not obtain the same railroad concessions that are granted to the national conventions. They are here at a cost, as I am informed, of \$150 to each of them. I am told that there are delegates here from Wyoming who traveled 300 miles in farm wagons to reach the nearest depot, where they took the train for Wyoming! I see on yonder pillar hoisted the banner of the great state of Massachusetts, and we might say in the words of Webster: 'There is Massachusetts; she speaks for herself.' [Cheers.] On yonder banner I see the words: 'Spirit of 1776.' This is the spirit that animates this august gathering; we are the lineal representatives of those men in homespun and deer-skin, those hunters, fishers and farmers who founded the nation, a nation without a millionaire and without a pauper. [Loud cheers.]

GROWTH OF MILLIONAIRES.

"One hundred and sixteen years of national life under the management of two great parties has given us, according to the different estimates, from 8,000 to 30,000 millionaires and 1,500,000 tramps, while the whole land is blistered with mortgages and the poor people are steeped to the lips in poverty. My friends, every great fight and liberty culminates in this present gathering. Every battle of the past fought to make men more free, more happy and more prosperous has shed the fruits of victory upon this great assemblage. [Cheers.] What a contrast to that Minneapolis convention. The leading man of that body, the man most trusted and dined and wined was Chauncey M. Depew, a twenty-millionaire, president of two railroad companies and representative of the Vanderbilts' \$200,000,000. And the members of that convention wrangled upon their vest buttons. [Cheers.] Why, he could not sneeze, but the Republican papers had pictures of him in every point of the process. [Laughter and cheers.] I had a debate the other day in Minnesota with a representative speaker of the Republican party, and I challenged him to point a man in the great convention who could be mentioned in one breath with the great philanthropist

and humanitarian who founded the Republican party. Where is Horace Greely, your Charles Sumner, your Wendell P. Phillips, your Abraham Lincoln? I asked him to point me out a single friend of labor in the convention, a single friend of the poor, a single friend of the mechanic. What was the answer? I was given an example of the philanthropist Fred Douglass. [Cheers.] 'Why,' I replied, 'you have had to go out of your own color to find an example.' [Cheers.]

M'KINLEY AS A PHILANTHROPIST.

"And when I asked for another name I was given the name of William McKinley, jr. [laughter] as a man who put up the tariff for the benefit of the protectionists manufacturers, to increase the burdens of the people. This is Republican philanthropy. It would be a miracle if the American people had not by this time appreciated Bill McKinley's philanthropy. I saw a report of a debate the other day in the United States senate; a Democratic senator charged that the man who had first been put at the head of the national executive committee was a tool of monopoly, the attorney for the great cattle combine, which has put into the hands of the Big Four of Chicago an immense fortune by breaking down the price of cattle from one end of the line to the other, while maintaining at the same time prices of meat on the mechanic. What did the Republican say in reply? He said that the chairman of the Democratic national committee was the representative of the Standard Oil Company, a bigger rascal than the other man. [Cheers.] I want it understood that I am not saying anything against the rank and file of either of these parties. [Cries of 'Good!'] The whole American have been in one or the other of these parties, and as the American people are in my judgment the best and noblest people on the face of the earth, it would not become me to accuse either of them, but the leaders, the politicians and the conventions of these parties are legitimate subjects for comment. They point in the direction of this terrible power of plutocracy that has got the whole country by the throat."

THE TERRIBLE BUSH OF PLUTOCRACY.

"Upon every bush of wheat sold in Minnesota the farmers are defrauded of 33 cents by gigantic combinations reaching from Liverpool to the Red River valley. In the south I learn that you are suffering as much and that the cotton crop does not pay the cost of production. You will find that the cause of the depreciation in prices is to be found in the world-wide combinations. This battle in which we are employed is the battle of mankind. [Cheers.]

"Have you forgotten that the two old parties have been holding their conventions ever since the war closed, but never has either of them dared to place in nomination, for either President or Vice President, a citizen of either of those southern states? I am willing that the southern delegates to this convention should meet and agree upon a candidate for President, and I will pledge for the men so nominated the unanimous support of Minnesota. I can promise you the solid electoral vote of Minnesota for the People's party. I believe I can promise that Nebraska will go the same way and North and South Carolina and Georgia. I know that we can count on Kansas. I tell you there is no such word as fail so far as this movement is concerned. Gentlemen, I thank you."

J. C. Manning, the "boy orator" of Alabama, was the next speaker. He was followed by Alexander Campbell, of LaSalle, Ill., "the original green-backer," now a very feeble man.

A MEMORIAL MEETING FOR TO-DAY.

A resolution was adopted to the effect that when the convention adjourned at the close of the afternoon session, it be to meet again at 2:30 Sunday afternoon to participate in the memorial services for the late Col. L. L. Polk, of North Carolina, and the late Rev. Gilbert Delameter, of Cincinnati, and that the doors be thrown open to the general public.

T. V. Powderly was called for, but excused himself on the plea that his lungs were not equal to the task of speaking to so large an audience.

The members of the committee on resolutions were then announced. The Pennsylvania member is H. S. Ayres; for West Virginia, J. H. Bassell, and for Ohio, Hugh Cavanaugh.

After the announcement of the committee on resolutions there were loud calls for "Cyclone" Davis, and the hall was soon ringing with Davis's voice.

The committee on credentials presented its report, showing that there were no contests and that there were 1,368 delegates presented. The report was adopted amid applause, and the sitting delegates declared entitled to their seats.

AN INDIAN THE LAST SPEAKER.

At the suggestion of Mr. Schilling, of Wisconsin, Honore J. Jaxon, of Chicago, was invited to address the convention.

Mr. Jaxon is an Indian, a representative of the Metas Council of the Northwest, a mixed race of Indians and Frenchmen. He was a participant in the Riel rebellion in Manitoba, and crossed the line just half a day ahead of the pursuing British soldiers. He made a telling speech.

Dr. Houghton, of Connecticut, filled another waiting spell by reading an original poem entitled "Omaha." Mr. Schilling, of Wisconsin, called attention to the fact that the business of the convention was blocked because the committee on resolutions was not ready to report, and the committee was directed to retire at once and begin its labors. The convention became restless under the wearisome delay and threatened to adjourn. A motion was adopted that when the convention adjourned it would be till 8 o'clock Monday morning. A motion prevailed to call the roll of states for the naming of members of the national committee, but several delegates objected that the temporary organization had no authority to organize a permanent body that should last four years. The motion was reconsidered and tabled, and at 6:30 o'clock the convention adjourned with a whoop till Monday morning.

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